Bringing internal security in concurrent list

55. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to bring internal security in the Concurrent List;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the State Governments particularly Andhra Pradesh in this regard; and

(c) the time by when a final decision is likely to be taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) There is no such proposal under consideration of the Government.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Withdrawal of NC from working groups on Kashmir issue

56. SHRI YASHWANT SINHA:
SHRI SHATRUGHAN SINHA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Conference has decided to withdraw from the five working groups charged with discussing Jammu and Kashmir constitutional issue and economic future set up by the Prime Minister;

(b) what are the reasons for this withdrawal; and

(c) what is the future of these five working groups after the withdrawal of National Conference?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) There are reports that the National Conference has decided to suspend participation in the Working Groups on the ground of alleged human rights violations in the State. However, the Government of Jammu and Kashmir have informed that they have not received any formal communication from the National Conference in this regard.

(c) These five Working Groups provide the right platform to discuss proposals on governance and economic development so as to arrive at a consensus and build confidence across different segments of society and as such the National Conference must reconsider their decision and involve themselves in ths process.

Investigation by CBI with regard to International film festival, 2004

57. SHRI SHANTARAM LAXMAN NAIK: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the investigation commenced by the Central Bureau of Investigation with respect to International Film Festival held in the year 2004 has been completed;

(b) whether the CBI has collected all the information in connection with the IFF 2004;

(c) the number of persons interrogated and arrested, if any, in the matter;

(d) whether the CBI officials have visited the sites connected with the case;

(e) whether all the relevant documentary evidence has been obtained from the State Government;

(f) by when the charge-sheet is proposed to be filed; and

(g) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO GAVIT): (a) The Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) had registered a Preliminary Enquiry No. 1(A)/2006-Goa on 16.3.2006 to inquire into the alleged financial irregularities in creation of facility and infrastructure for the Goa International Film Festival 2004. While the enquiry was underway, a criminal case has been registered against the ex-Chief Minister, Goa and others at Police Station Panaji, Goa on similar allegations under various sections of the Indian Penal Code (IPC) and Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988. Consequently, the enquiry in CBI has been stopped.